Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 14 Jul 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 15 Jul 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 13 Jul 2023 at 14:16

Confidence: High for wet and windy conditions on Friday and then remaining unseasonably windy with showers and possible thunderstorms over the weekend. Medium confidence in the exact details of rain, showers and peak wind strengths on Friday and Saturday.

Headline for Friday 14 Jul 2023: Wet and unseasonably windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 14 Jul 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Medium Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Light rain showers	Light rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	70%	70%	70%	60%	40%	30%	30%

Forecast for Friday 14 Jul 2023

Weather: Remaining dry but cloudy through the early hours of Friday morning, but showery rain arriving from the southwest soon after dawn, turning increasingly persistent and heavy through the morning. Rain persisting into the afternoon, albeit becoming more showery later, with some drier interludes, and perhaps some sunny spells later in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 20%, increasing to 60% by late afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud bases generally around 400-500m soon through the morning and persisting into the afternoon. Cloud bases may lower to 300m at times, particularly on south facing slopes. Cloud may become more scattered into the evening, but bases generally remaining at 500-600m. Often poor visibility, especially during heavy and persistent rain, but visibility improving at lower levels later in the day during any drier spells between showers.

Forecast for Friday 14 Jul 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	12/16 SW	14/19 S	17/23 S	23/31 S	28/39 SE	27/37 S	27/38 SW	24/34 SW	23/33 SW
300	7/17 SW	7/15 S	7/16 SE	14/28 S	17/35 SE	16/33 S	17/33 SW	14/29 SW	15/31 SW
Valley	5/15 SW	6/15 S	5/14 SE	11/26 S	15/33 SE	14/31 S	15/32 SW	13/28 SW	13/29 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	11/9	11/8	11/8	11/7	12/8	14/9	13/9	11/8	11/8
300	13/12	13/12	13/12	13/11	14/11	16/13	15/13	14/11	13/11
Valley	14/13	14/13	14/13	14/12	15/12	16/14	16/14	14/12	14/12
Freezing Level*	2700m	2400m	2700m	3000m	3500m	3300m	2800m	2500m	2300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Conditions will be unseasonably windy for July, with gusts up to 50 mph on the highest peaks making walking conditions difficult, with a risk of being blown off balance. Navigation could be challenging with energy output significantly increased when walking into the wind. Heavy rain will also make paths slippery, with localised surface flooding affecting some routes. Suitable wet-weather gear is recommended.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
14:00 on Wed 12 Jul 2023	3.4mm	24.4mm	32mm

Forecast for Saturday 15 Jul 2023

Weather: Heavy showers will develop quickly through the morning, sometimes merging into longer spells of rain, and carrying a risk of hail and thunder. Some brighter and drier spells in between the showers, mainly during the morning. Showers continuing into the evening, although gradually easing overnight.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly, 30-35 mph, gusts of 45-50 mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 60%.

Low cloud and visibility: Low cloud around 500-600m will gradually lift and break up with cloud bases around 700m by late morning. Scattered cloud will remain around 700m through the afternoon, although may lower to 500m in any heavy showers. Generally good airmass visibility, although often poor or very poor in early low cloud and any heavy showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 13 Celsius rising to plus 17 Celsius.
At 600m: Plus 8 Celsius rising to plus 12 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits.